

GERMANY'S "SHAM
PEACE."

THE ALLIES' REPLY.

(Continued from Page 1.)

AMERICANS STAGGERED BY
THE REPLY.

The Allies' Reply has staggered Americans whom the German propagandists had led to believe that the Entente Powers were struggling among themselves to secure peace at any price. The Reply has undoubtedly had a most healthy effect in America.

Count Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, maintains a brave face and insists that the peace proposals will be successful, but the belief is growing that his optimism is due to the expectation that Germany will quickly climb down and reveal her peace terms.

There is little indication how Germany received the Note, but telegrams speak of the growth of a feverish anxiety to know the Allies' intentions.

A SECOND AMERICAN NOTE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1. President Wilson has sent a second Note, which has not yet been presented to the belligerents, explanatory of the first Note.

SPAIN DECLINES TO SUPPORT
PRESIDENT WILSON'S
NOTE.

MADRID, Dec. 31. Spain has declined to support Mr. Wilson's note saying it is premature and useless.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

RECIPROCAL ARTILLERY
BOMBARDMENTS.

LONDON, Dec. 31. Sir Douglas Haig reports:—We bombarded the enemy south-east of Le Tinsley, blowing up an ammunition dump. The enemy artillery is actively engaged at Martinpuich.

MINOR OPERATIONS ON THE
BRITISH FRONT.

LONDON, Dec. 31. Sir Douglas Haig reports:—We successfully blew a mine north-eastwards of Neuville St. Vaast. We effectively bombarded positions in the neighbourhood of Serre and southward of Le Transloy. We shelled places of military importance eastward of Arras. Our fire destroyed a bridge across the Lure, eastward of Le Tilleul and northwards of Neuve Chapelle.

FRENCH CAPTURES DURING 1916.

LONDON, Jan. 1. A Paris communiqué says there is nothing important to report. The French at Verdun and on the Somme during 1916 captured 78,500 Germans.

SHIPS SUNK.

LONDON, Jan. 1. The steamers *Copiedwood* (British), *Ida* (Norwegian), three British sailing ships and one Norwegian have been sunk.

LATER.

The British steamers *Zoroaster*, *Aisley* and *Oronsay*, the *Moredillo* (Swedish) and the *Lysegrand* (Norwegian) have been sunk.

GERMAN SUBMARINE BARBARITY.
HARROWING EXPERIENCES OF
A DANISH CREW.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 1. The survivors of the crew of the Danish steamer *Heoplatz*, torpedoed by the German submarine *U18* off Ushant on December 22nd, give harrowing details of their experience.

In a heavy sea the crew were ordered to leave their ship. Boats were lowered with difficulty. One was nipped between the submarine and the steamer and the Captain was crushed to death, his head being severed from his body. Another member of the crew was killed.

The submarine took the rest of the crew aboard. A French destroyer rushed up but the submarine escaped a shell by inches. The submarine ultimately arrived at Zeebrugge.

ALLIES' NEW DEMANDS
ON GREECE.

NOTE FROM THE TRIPLÉ.

PIREAS, Jan. 1.

The Triple Entente's Note to Greece which was presented to-day demands the reduction of the Greek forces outside Peloponnese to the number absolutely necessary to keep order, the transportation towards Peloponnese of all armaments and munitions exceeding those corresponding with this force; the prohibition of meetings of Reservists; the carrying of arms by civilians; the restoration of Allied controls; the immediate release of political prisoners; indemnification for those who suffered unjustly in consequence of the events of 1st December; the removal of the officer responsible for the orders given on 1st December; apologies by the Greek Government to the Entente and a public salute of the Allied flags.

AN ITALIAN NOTE.

ATHENS, Jan. 1. The Italian Minister has handed to the Greek Government a Note demanding reparation for the events of December 1st and 2nd. The Note also contains other demands.

ENEMY AEROPLANE OVER
SALONIKA.

SALONIKA, Jan. 1.

An enemy aeroplane has been passing over the town daily. It is supposed that besides spying, it is engaged in postal service with Athens, which city, except for wireless, is completely isolated.

There are indications that the blockade is most effective. The scarcity of cereals is beginning to be seriously felt in southern Greece.

FRENCH BATTLESHIP
TORPEDOED.PRACTICALLY ALL THE CREW
RESCUED.

PARIS, Jan. 1.

A Naval communiqué announces that the battleship *Gaulois* was torpedoed in the Mediterranean on December 27th and sank in half an hour.

Owing to the discipline and coolness of all on board, and the rapid arrival of patrol boats, only four of the crew were lost, two of these being killed by the explosion.

CORONATION CEREMONIES
IN AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

LONDON, Jan. 1.

The coronation of the King and Queen of Hungary has been accomplished at Budapest with ancient pomp and solemnities.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 31.

At the coronation of the King and Queen of Hungary in Budapest their majesties were received at the Cathedral by the Cardinal, the Primate and Clergy and were conducted to the Loretto Chapel where the King was robed in the mantle and girded with the sword of St. Stephen. Thence they proceeded to the High Altar where they were enthroned amidst the Barons of the Empire. After the celebration at High Mass Count Tisza crowned the King, who afterwards took the oath in the great square in front of the Cathedral in the presence of the people. Then he proceeded to the coronation mound where he waved the sword of St. Stephen to the four quarters of the Empire, symbolising his guardianship thereof.

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SERBIAN PRISONERS EMPLOYED
AS COMBATANTS.

SHAMEFUL TREATMENT.

CORRU, Dec. 31.

Serbian prisoners who have escaped from Germany and Austria tell of shameful treatment. Not only were they put to the hardest tasks but they were insufficiently fed and clad. There is corroborative and trust-worthy evidence that the Austrians are employing them as combatants against the Russians. Many of these succeeded in surrendering and thus escaped.

GERMANY RECRUITING
CRIMINALS.

LONDON, Dec. 31.

Germany has begun recruiting from the gnaos, excluding only habitual criminals.

NORWAY'S SHIPPING LOSSES.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 1.

Norway has lost during 1916, 292 ships aggregating 367,000 tons, and valued at two hundred million kroner.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN
RUMANIA.

LONDON, Dec. 31.

A wireless telegram gives the following German official report.

We captured Russo-Rumanian positions in Oltu valley. General Mackensen encountered strong resistance northward and eastward of Rimnicul-Sarat. A strenuous attack entered the enemy's position and gained ground. Heavy fighting continues.

RUSSIAN REPORT.

LONDON, Dec. 31.

A Russian official wireless says:—Fierce battles have taken place in the Oluz Valley. The enemy, reinforced, repeatedly attacked and captured several heights.

The enemy is stubbornly attacking on the Moldavian frontier. An offensive north-west of Severi, followed and the Rumanians were victorious, taking many prisoners.

The heights of the upper Putna frequently changed hands, and remained in the enemy's possession. Russians and Rumanians dislodged the enemy at Bordeni.

The enemy repulsed the Rumanians north-west of the Buzeu-Forany railway. A third enemy attack has been made in Dobruja—south-east of Braila—when they occupied a height in our centre.

GERMAN OFFENSIVE REPULSED
NEAR PINK.

LATER.

We repulsed a German offensive southward of Pink.

The enemy strongly attacked the Rumanians on both banks of the Kazino, eastward of the Moldavian frontier. The Rumanians maintained their positions.

The Rumanians were obliged to retire in the region of Patroanu, westward of Focsani.

We took up new positions from Focsani to the Danube without pressure from the enemy.

The enemy attempted an advance at Roumanula, westward of Brailov. Our rifle fire compelled him to retire in disorder and entrench.

Twenty-three enemy battalions which attacked our centre at Dobrudja compelled us to retire to our next line.

ENEMY OFFICIAL MESSAGES.

LONDON, Dec. 31.

A German official message received by wireless says:—

We threw back the Russians as far as the Braila bridgehead and gained positions east of Macin in Dobrudja.

An Austrian official message also received—by wireless—says:—East and north-east of Kesti Varsahely we took Nereju and Tulnaci.

LATER.

We stormed several Russo-Rumanian hill positions between Uz Valley and Putna Valley and repulsed fierce counter-attacks.

We again defeated the Russians in Northern Great Wallachia and drove back the enemy half way between Rimnicul Sarat and Focsani.

Bulgar-German forces took a thousand prisoners eastward of Macin.

THE MOLDAVIAN FRONT.

FIGHTING LIKELY TO INCREASE.

THE LATEST GERMAN PLAN.

LONDON, Jan. 1.

Fighting on the Moldavian front is likely to assume increased importance. The German plan is apparently to combine a frontal attack with an outflanking movement. Probably the latter is not yet fully developed, but there has been desperate fighting in the region of Oltu Valley, which, with those immediately adjoining converges on Trotus in the rear of the advance positions won by the Russians during the past month.

It is also noted that the locality chosen for attack is that where the Russians join the Rumanians; the former holding Uzail while the latter occupy Oltu and the valleys southward.

So far it seems that the Germans have not progressed since Sunday, when the Rumanians lost some heights, most of which were recovered the following day.

KING OF BAVARIA'S BRAVADO.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 1.

The King of Bavaria, in an Army Order, says if the enemy refuses the proffered hand, we will enter upon him.

THE DESTROYED RUMANIAN OIL
WELLS."DESTRUCTION WORKMAN-
LIKE AND SKILFUL."

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 31.

Latest details of the destruction of the Rumanian oil wells are given in the Munich *Neueste Nachrichten* which says the surface damage is £8,000,000 sterling. This does not include loss of production and unestimated damage underground. All engine-houses and cranes on the surface and underground machinery were smashed and the oil tanks were set on fire. The destruction was not only workmanlike, but skilful.

PROMOTIONS FOR DISTINGUISHED
SERVICE.

LONDON, Jan. 1.

The Gazette announces the following promotions for distinguished services in the field:—

Sir Douglas Haig to be a Field Marshal.

Lieut-General Sir Rawlinson to be a General.

Major-General H. Horne, G. Milne, the Earl of Cavan, Sir L. Kiggall, and Sir S. Gough to be Lieut-Generals.

General Smuts to be honorary Lieut-General.

FURTHER CANADIAN CREDIT FOR
MUNITIONS.

OTTAWA, Jan. 1.

The Canadian bankers have furnished a further credit of £10,000,000 for the purchase of Canadian munitions for Great Britain making a total of £50,000,000 thus provided.

BRITAIN'S WEALTH.

LONDON, Jan. 1.

The Revenue for the quarter ending 31st December was £129,217,712, as compared with £84,890,510 in 1915, including £48,480,000 excess profits duty.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

HEAVY FIGHTING.

ON THE TRANSYLVANIAN
FRONTIER.

LONDON, Dec. 30.

A German official report received by wireless states:—

On the Transylvanian frontier mountains we entered the enemy's positions, and, despite strong counter-attacks, pushed ahead, taking 660 prisoners.

General Mackensen is pursuing the retreating enemy along the whole front between the mountains and the Danube.

RUSSIAN REPORT.

LONDON, Dec. 30.

A Russian official report, received by wireless, says:—

The enemy occupied several heights in Ortuz Valley.

We are consolidating ourselves northward of Horsha, and east and south of Somsozo.

The enemy continued his obstinate attacks northeast of Rimnikera, mainly along the railway, captured Bordenashi, and pressed us back near Zaleski.

We heavily repulsed attacks southward of the Danube.

A PYRRHIC VICTORY.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

Despite German boasts, it is evident that the Germans paid dearly for the capture of Rimnicul-Sarat.

The Russian forces were merely armed for the purpose of gaining time to prepare for resistance on their principal line.

The Germans had to send division after division to the slaughter in order to gain what turns out to be a mere Pyrrhic victory.

DESTRUCTION OF THE RUMANIAN
OIL WELLS.

THE GERMAN'S FURIOUS.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 29.

The German papers are most furious at learning of the thoroughness of the destruction of the Rumanian oil wells, which a German Staff Officer, writing to the *Koelnische Zeitung*, describes as being so terrible and wild that it surpasses everything that has hitherto happened. Everything that was ruinable was ruined.

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MACHINATIONS BY AN EX-
PREMIER OF FRANCE.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

The Times correspondent at Rome reveals machinations by M. Caillaux, a former Prime Minister of France. At Rome, he promised that Germany was disposed to treat France generously and compel Austria to grant Italy practically all her national aspirations, provided that Germany should have a free hand in dealing with Russia and the Balkans. M. Caillaux's whisperings fell on deaf ears and a hint of drastic Government action nipped the intrigue in the bud.

GERMANY'S PEACE
MANŒUVRE.SUGGESTED MEETING OF
NEUTRALS AT THE
HAAGUE.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

Despite rebuffs, German agents at Washington are frantically working to induce President Wilson to support the new idea of a meeting of Neutrals at The Hague in January.

The proposals are regarded as another development of the German campaign to belittle the Allies.

THE REPLY TO THE GERMAN
NOTE.

LONDON, Dec. 30.

It is expected that the reply of the Allies to the German Note will be published this afternoon.

SIR DOUGLAS HAIG'S DISPATCH.

AMPLIFY EXPLAINS GERMAN
PEACE FEYER.

LONDON, Dec. 30.

The papers warmly praise General Sir Douglas Haig's matter-of-fact statement and contrast it with General Hindenburg's vague generalities.

The opinion is expressed that nothing but an aberration in the strategic sense, by the new War Cabinet, can save the Germans from a sound thrashing in the Spring.

The papers regard the Despatch as ample explanation of the German peace feyer.

A BRITISH AIR MINISTRY.

LONDON, Dec. 30.

The "Daily Telegraph" states that the Government has decided to form an Air Ministry with ample powers. The Minister will probably be a Peer.

THE FRENCH FRONT.

WORRYING THE ENEMY.

PARIS, Dec. 30.

A communiqué states that the French raided and wrecked German trenches between the Oise and the Aisne.

The Germans violently bombed French positions between the Meuse and Avocourt.

The French frustrated several bombing attacks on this front.

French aviators bombed different German munitions works, including those at Neunkirchen.

FRENCH SHIPBUILDING.

STATE ADVANCE TO SHIP-
OWNERS.

PARIS, Dec. 30.

The Chamber has authorised a State advance of £8,000,000 to shipowners for the construction or purchase of ships.

A HEAVY BLOW AT THE TURKS.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

The great Chikader Bridge, mentioned in a communiqué yesterday, was the most vital link of the Bagdad Railway. Its destruction means the interrupting of Turkish communications from Mesopotamia to Syria and the cutting off of supplies by railway from rich provinces.

THE ALLIES AND GREECE.

NECESSITY FOR ENERGETIC
ACTION.

PARIS, Dec. 30.

The Foreign Affairs Committee of the Chamber announces that it has received information fixing the responsibility upon King Constantine and the Greek Staff for the events of December 1st, thus demonstrating the necessity for energetic action.

POLITICAL CHAOS IN
AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.WHOLESALE RESIGNATIONS AND
DISMISSALS.

LONDON, Dec. 30.

Political chaos reigns in Austria-Hungary. There are wholesale resignations and dismissals of prominent men generally regarded as responsible for Austria's pitiful condition as a satellite of Germany.

The chief victim is Dictator Tisza, who will crown the King to-morrow but will probably retire after that event.

RUMANIA FORMS A NATIONAL
MINISTRY.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

Following the example of the Allies, Rumania has formed a National Ministry, which includes the prominent pro-Allies M. Jasson and several of his supporters.

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GERMAN-AMERICAN PLOTTING IN
CANADA.

ILLEGAL EXPORT OF NICKEL.

MONTREAL, Dec. 29.

Seven employees of the Québec Arsenal have been arrested on a charge of stealing nickel.

The authorities believe they are now on the track of the whole plot of the illicit export of Canadian nickel to the United States, which has been engineered by German-Americans at enormous cost.

Three tons of nickel were found packed in whisky casks.

WAR ORGANISATION IN FRANCE.

PARIS, Dec. 30.

A Bill has been introduced in the Senate providing for the mobilisation of civilians between the ages of 17 and 60, for the organisation of national labour in France and her Colonies.

CANADA'S WAR ESTIMATES.

OTTAWA, Dec. 28.

Parliament has been summoned for January 15, to pass the War Estimates before Sir Robert Borden's departure for London.

IMPORTANT MEDICAL
INVESTIGATION.

LONDON, Dec. 30.

Experts of the London Hospital have announced that after investigations extending over several years they have decided that syphilis is not hereditary. They are of opinion that the child contracts the disease from the mother after birth.

THREATENED RAILWAY WORKERS
STRIKE IN AMERICA.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.

Four hundred thousand railway workers threaten to strike on January 1st if the operation of the new law establishing an eight-hour day and other concessions is delayed.

A KNIGHTHOOD.

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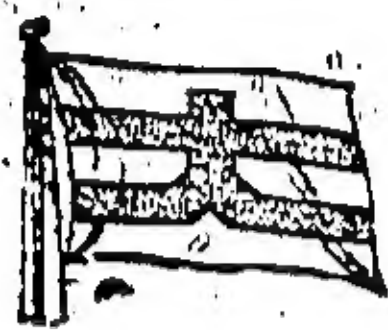
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For further particulars, sailing dates etc. apply to

E. V. D. PARR,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, Dec. 30, 1916. 1532.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE.

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For information regarding freight etc. kindly apply to the undersigned,
T. DAIGO,
Agent.

Toyo Kisen Kaisha, Hongkong.

Hongkong, Dec. 3, 1916. 1509.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

"GLEN" LINE (MCGREGOR GOW & CO.) LTD.

NOTICE.

CERTAIN cargo of M. S. "GLEN" LINE, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. and will be examined by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas on January 2nd, 1917 at 10 a.m. to survey all damaged packages.

Consignees of cargo arrived are requested to have representatives present.

SHEWAN, TOMES & COMPANY, Agents.

"Glen" Line (McGregor Gow & Co.) Ltd., Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1916. 1594.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BELAWAN DELI, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "JACOB"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. and will be examined by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas on January 2nd, 1917 at 10 a.m.

Goods not cleared by January 1st, 1917 will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas on January 2nd, 1917 at 10 a.m.

Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the Underwriter in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by
JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LYN,
Agents.

Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1916. 1571.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

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Cargo remaining on board on SATURDAY, December 30th, at 6 p.m. will be subject to landing charges and if undischarged on THURSDAY, January 4th, 1917 at 5 p.m. will be subject to both landing and storage charges.

No Fire Insurance, whatever, will be effected.

No Claims will be recognised after the Goods have left the Godown.

All Goods and valuables damaged by fire will be landed at the Company's Godown at West Point where they will be examined on January 4th, 1917 at 10 a.m.

No claims will be recognised if filed after January 4th, 1917.

E. O. MORTON,
General Agent.

Hongkong, Dec. 27, 1916. 1572.

To-day's Advertisements

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SIX Minute ROUND CONTEST:

Pte. COTTON, K.S.L.I., v. Seaman SIMES, R.N.

SIX Minute ROUND CONTEST:

Seaman PEPSON, R.N., v. Pte. DAVIES, K.S.L.I.

SIX Minute ROUND CONTEST:

Seaman SUMMERFIELD, R.N., v. Sapper SMITH, R.E.

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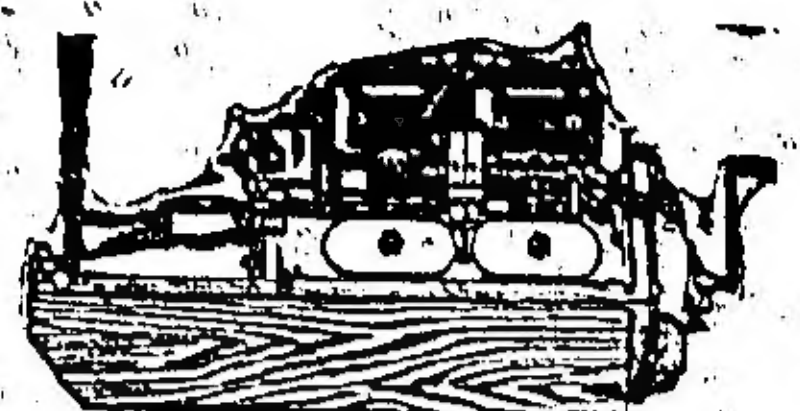
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Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, Siam, Liberia, Portuguese East Africa, Persia and Morocco cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

Mails will close for:-

At 8 a.m., on Wednesday, the 3rd Jan.

HOIHOW, PAHPOI & HAIPHONG.

At 9 a.m., on Wednesday, the 3rd Jan.

SWATOW & BANGKOK.

At 9 a.m., on Wednesday, the 3rd Jan.

*SWATOW, *AMOI, FORMOSA Via TAMSUI & KEELUNG.

At 10 a.m., on Wednesday, the 3rd Jan.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

At 10 a.m., on Wednesday, the 3rd Jan.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN Via MOU, VICTORIA & SEATTLE.

Registration at 9.15 a.m. Letters at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, the 3rd Jan.

STRAITS, CEYLON & INDIA Via BOMBAY.

At 10 a.m., on Wednesday, the 3rd Jan.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA.

At 3 p.m., on Wednesday, the 3rd Jan.

AMOI, SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA.

At 3 p.m., on Wednesday, the 3rd Jan.

WEIHAWEI & CHEFOO.

At 3 p.m., on Wednesday, the 3rd Jan.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN Via KOBE, HONOLULU, UNITED STATES, CANADA, CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA Via SAN FRANCISCO.

(Europe via Siberia).

Registration at 10.15 a.m. Letters at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 3rd Jan.

(Shanghai Ch. P.O. Saturday, 3rd Jan.)

SWATOW, AMOI & FORMOSA Via TAKAO & ANJING.

At 5 p.m., on Wednesday, the 3rd Jan.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN Via NAGASAKI, HONOLULU, CANADA, UNITED STATES, CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA Via SAN FRANCISCO.

Registration at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, the 3rd Jan.

HOIHOW, PAHPOI & HAIPHONG.

At 9 a.m., on Thursday, the 4th Jan.

HOIHOW & HAIPHONG.

At 10 a.m., on Thursday, the 4th Jan.

STRAITS, CEYLON, DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN, JOHANNESBURG, CAPE TOWN & LONDON.

At 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 4th Jan.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA (Europe via Siberia).

Registration at 9.15 p.m. Letters at 10 p.m., on Thursday, the 4th Jan.

(Shanghai Ch. P.O. Monday, 6th Jan.)

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

At 5 p.m., on Thursday, the 4th Jan.

Mails will close for:-

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA.

At 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 6th Jan.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN Via MOU, VICTORIA & TACOMA.

At 1 p.m., on Monday, the 8th Jan.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND Via PORT DARWIN & NEW GUINEA Via THURSDAY ISLAND.

Registration at 10.15 a.m. Letters at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 9th Jan.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN Via NAGASAKI, VICTORIA, B.O., VANCOUVER, UNITED STATES, CENTRAL, SOUTH AMERICA & UNITED KINGDOM Via CANADA (Europe via Siberia).

Registration at 9.45 a.m. Letters at 10.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 10th Jan.

[Shanghai Ch. P.O., Saturday, 13th Jan.]

STRAITS, BURMA, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT & RUSSIA.

Registration at 10.15 a.m. Letters at 11 a.m., on Friday, the 12th Jan.

The Parcel Mail will be closed on Thursday, the 18th Jan., at 5 p.m.

* Superadded correspondence only.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, January 2, 1917.

On London—Bank Wire—... 3/4

"On demand—... 3/4 9/16

"30 days sight—... 3/4 9/16

"4 months sight—... 3/4 9/16

"6 months sight—... 3/4 9/16

"Documentary, 4 months sight—... 3/4 9/16

On Paris—On demand—... 330/

"Credit, 4 months sight—... 330/

On New York—On demand—... 54/

"Credit, 60 days sight—... 54/

On Bombay—On demand—... 174/

On Calcutta—On demand—... 174/

On Singapore—On demand—... 101/

On Manila—On demand—... 112/

On Shanghai—On demand—... 112/

"20 days sight (private paper)—... 112/

On Yokohama—On demand—... 110/

Gold List (1000 per ton)—... 50.80

Sovereigns (banks buying rate) \$235 n.

Silver (per oz.)—... 38/

Bar Silver in Hongkong—... 13 p.m.

Chinese Copper Cash—... 1 p.m.

Chinese Copper (Lanka)—... 1 p.m.

Rate of exchange interest—... 4 p.m.

Chinese Bull. Com.—... 4 p.m.

Hongkong Bull. Com.—... 4 p.m.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

Previous day On date at On date at

at 1 p.m. at 5 a.m. at 1 p.m.

Barometer—20.05 20.13 20.15

Temperature—64 68 60

Humidity—68 68 63

Direction of Wind—W N NW

Force of Wind—2 2 1

Weather—C C C

Rain—0.00 0.00 0.00

Lightest open air temperature on the 24 hours—... 54

T. F. CLAYTON, Director.

Hongkong, Observatory, Jan. 2, 1917.

CROUP.

EVERY young child is susceptible to croup. Don't wait until this dreadful disease attacks your little one before you prepare for it. It comes in the night when parents sleep and are usually closed, and this sleep should be a warning. Get and keep Chamberlain's Cough Remedy on hand. It never fails, acts quickly and is absolutely harmless. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 2nd at 11.50—No returns from North China and Japan. Pressure has increased slightly at all stations reporting, and there is no apparent change in the general distribution since yesterday. Fresh to strong monsoon will prevail along the east coast of China and over the north part of the China Sea. Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inch. Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 3rd January:—

1.—Hongkong to Cap Rock: N. winds, fresh; cloudy.

2.—Formosa Channel: N. winds strong.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook: The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

OFFICIAL NIGHTS IN JANUARY.

The following table shows the Standard Time at which Official Night ends and begins during the month of January, 1917:—

| Date. | Ends. | Begin. |
|---------------------|-----------|--------|
| Jan. 2nd, 6.52 a.m. | 6.03 p.m. | |
| " 3rd, 6.52 " | 6.04 " | |
| " 4th, 6.53 " | 6.05 " | |
| " 5th, 6.53 " | 6.06 " | |
| " 6th, 6.53 " | 6.07 " | |
| " 7th, 6.53 " | 6.07 " | |
| " 8th, 6.53 " | 6.08 " | |
| " 9th, 6.53 " | 6.08 " | |
| " 10th, 6.53 " | 6.09 " | |
| " 11th, 6.53 " | 6.09 " | |
| " 12th, 6.53 " | 6.10 " | |
| " 13th, 6.53 " | 6.11 " | |
| " 14th, 6.53 " | 6.11 " | |
| " 15th, 6.53 " | 6.12 " | |
| " 16th, 6.53 " | 6.12 " | |
| " 17th, 6.53 " | 6.13 " | |
| " 18th, 6.53 " | 6.13 " | |
| " 19th, 6.53 " | 6.14 " | |
| " 20th, 6.53 " | 6.15 " | |
| " 21st, 6.53 " | 6.16 " | |
| " 22nd, 6.53 " | 6.16 " | |
| " 23rd, 6.53 " | 6.17 " | |
| " 24th, 6.53 " | 6.18 " | |
| " 25th, 6.53 " | 6.18 " | |
| " 26th, 6.53 " | 6.19 " | |
| " 27th, 6.52 " | 6.20 " | |
| " 28th, 6.51 " | 6.21 " | |
| " 29th, 6.51 " | 6.21 " | |
| " 30th, 6.51 " | 6.22 " | |
| " 31st, 6.51 " | 6.23 " | |

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-9-0. The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea level. To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

January 2nd to 9th, 1917.

| Time. | HIGH WATER. | | LOW WATER. | |
|----------|-------------|-------|------------|-------|
| | Hongkong. | Mean. | Hongkong. | Mean. |
| Jan. 2nd | 1.45 | 1.45 | 5.15 | 5.15 |
| " 3rd | 1.44 | 1.44 | 5.16 | 5.16 |
| " 4th | 1.43 | 1.43 | 5.17 | 5.17 |
| " 5th | 1.42 | 1.42 | 5.18 | 5.18 |
| " 6th | 1.41 | 1.41 | 5.19 | 5.19 |
| " 7th | 1.40 | 1.40 | 5.20 | 5.20 |
| " 8th | 1.39 | 1.39 | 5.21 | 5.21 |
| " 9th | 1.38 | 1.38 | 5.22 | 5.22 |

Temperature.

[Hongkong, January 2, 1917.]

Barometer—9 a.m.—30.11

Do—11 a.m.—30.08

Do—1 p.m.—30.05

Do—3 p.m.—30.02

Do—5 p.m.—29.99

Do—7 p.m.—29.96

Do—9 p.m.—29.93

Do—11 p.m.—29.90

Do—Minimum over high—29.87

Do—Maximum over high—29.93

Do—Minimum over low—29.84

Do—Maximum over low—29.90

Do—Minimum over high—29.87

Do—Maximum over high—29.93

Do—Minimum over low—29.84

Do—Maximum over low—29.90

Do—Minimum over high—29.87

Do—Maximum over high—29.93

Do—Minimum over low—29.84

Do—Maximum over low—29.90

SHARE REPORT.

JANUARY 2nd, 1917.

| Stock and paid up Value. | Quoted 11.30 A.M. | Last Dividend and date. | Return based on last year's div. |
|------------------------------|----------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| BANKS. | | | |
| Hongkong & Shanghai | \$125 \$720 a. | 62 1/2 interim | 6 1/2 p.c. |
| MARINE INSURANCES. | | | |
| Canton | \$ 50 \$390 | \$7 final s/o 1914 and Interim of \$15 s/o 1915. Final div. of \$15 making 2 1/2 % s/o 1915 | 2 1/2 p.c. |
| North China | \$25 T. 150 | | |
| Union | \$100 \$920 a. | Final of \$20 and bonus \$10 s/o 1914. Interim of \$30 s/o 1915. | |
| Yangtze | \$ 80 \$255 | Final of \$15 making \$15 for 1914 and int. of \$6 on accounts 1915 | 4 1/2 p.c. |
| FIRE INSURANCES. | | | |
| China Fire | \$ 20 \$155 | \$7 and bonus \$2 for 1914. | |
| Hongkong Fire | \$ 50 \$375 a. | \$27 for 1914 | 6 1/2 p.c. 7 p.c. |
| SHIPPING. | | | |
| Douglas Steamship | \$50 \$112 1/2 | \$1 final and \$8 bonus making \$14 s/o 1914-15 \$1 for 1915 | 11 1/2 p.c. 6 1/2 p.c. |
| Steamboats | \$15 \$90 b. | | |
| Indo-China | | | |
| (Preferred) | \$5 \$46 a. | 6/- for 1915 | 6 p.c. |
| (Deferred) | \$25 \$136 a. | 10/- Bonus 6/- for 1915 | 6 1/2 p.c. |
| "Shell" Transport | \$1 106 1/2 | 9/- s/o 1915 Coupon 25 5/- s/o 1915 Coupon 25 | 7 p.c. |
| "Star Ferry" | \$ 10 \$88 a. | \$1.65 dividend 45 cents Bonus for year ending 30-4-15 | 6 1/2 p.c. |
| REFINERIES. | | | |
| China Sugar | \$100 \$127 a. | \$12 for 1915 | 10 1/2 p.c. |
| Malacca Sugar | \$ 30 \$37 | \$5 for 1915 | |
| MINING. | | | |
| Kailash | \$21 \$36 1/2 | 1/- s/o 1915/16, Coupons No. | |
| Langkat | \$10 T. 23 | Tia. 1 for 1916 | 4 p.c. |
| Ranb | \$21 \$34.9 | | |
| Trench Mines | \$21 \$7 | 3/- s/o 1915 | |
| Ural Caspian | \$21 \$32 7/8 | 9 % for 1915 | |
| DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS. | | | |
| Kowloon Wharves | \$ 50 \$85 b. | \$3 1/2 for 1915 | 4 p.c. |
| H.K. & Whampoa Docks | \$ 50 \$123 a. | \$5 for 1915 | 2 1/2 p.c. |
| Shanghai Docks | T. 106 T. 29 | Tia. 14 for year ending 30-4-15 | 3 1/2 p.c. |
| Hongkong Wharves | T. 100 T. 25 | Tia. 3 for 1915 | 3 1/2 p.c. |
| HOTELS, LANDS AND BUILDINGS. | | | |
| Hongkong Hotels | \$115 a. | \$3 s/o half year 30-4-15 | 4 1/2 p.c. |
| Central Estate | \$100 \$101 a. | \$7 s/o 1915 | 7 p.c. |
| Hongkong Lands | \$100 \$95 | Interim div. of \$34 | 7 p.c. |
| Humphreys Estates | \$ 10 \$8.80 b. & c. | 35 cents for 1915 | 5 1/2 p.c. |
| Everson Lands | \$ 30 \$35 a. | \$23 for 1915 | 6 p.c. |
| West Point | \$ 50 \$84 | Interim of \$2 | 4 1/2 p.c. |
| Shanghai Lands | T. 50 T. 95 | 6 % interim s/o 1915 | 6 1/2 p.c. |
| COTTON MILLS. | | | |
| Ewoe | T. 50 T. 125 | Tia. 16 for year ending 31-12-15 | 10 1/2 p.c. |
| Shanghai Cottons | T. 50 T. 115 a. | Tia. 4 div. a year ended 20-5-15 | 7 p.c. |
| Kung Yik | T. 10 T. 144 | Tia. 1 1/2 for 1915 | 10 1/2 p.c. |
| T. guezapoo | T. 5 T. 5 1/2 | | |
| MISCELLANEOUS. | | | |
| China-Borneo | \$ 13 \$8 1/2 | 72 cts. for 1915 | 2 1/2 p.c. |
| Light & Powers | \$ 5 \$4 1/2 b. | 6 p.c. for year ending 30-6-15 | 7 p.c. |
| China-Provident | \$ 10 \$8.28 b. | 70 cents for 1915 | 7 1/2 p.c. |
| Dairy Farms | \$ 6 \$22 1/2 | \$3 for year ending 31-7-15 | 6 1/2 p.c. |
| Green Islands | \$ 10 \$11.90 a. | 60 cents for 1915 | 4 p.c. |
| Hongkong Electricity | \$ 10 \$53 | \$2 1/2 for 1915/1916 | 4 p.c. |
| Hongkong Ice | \$ 22 \$160 | \$2 on s/o 1915 | 7 p.c. |
| Hongkong Ropes | \$ 10 \$34 1/2 | \$1 interim 1915 | 2 1/2 p.c. |
| Hongkong Tramways | \$7 \$6.90 b. | 7 % interim s/o 1915 cents 1 1/2 per share | 4 1/2 p.c. |
| H.K. Steel Foundry | \$ 50 \$2 1/2 | | |
| Harbour Works | \$ 25 \$29 | \$2 for 1915 | |
| Peak Tramways | \$ 10 \$10 | | |
| do. (new) | \$ 1 \$1 | 2 % for 1915/1916 | 7 1/2 p.c. |
| Steam Laundry | \$ 5 \$2 1/2 | 25 cents for 1915/1916 | 6 1/2 p.c. |
| Union Waterboats | \$ 10 \$17 | \$1 for 1915 | 4 p.c. |
| Waters | \$ 10 \$2 1/2 b. | 20 cents for 1915 | |
| William Powell | \$ 7 \$6 1/2 b. | 60 cents for 1915/1916 | 10 p.c. |